

## CLAIMS

What is claimed as being new and desired to be protected by LETTERS PATENT of the United States is as follows:

1. A gas tank shade system for minimizing the heating effects of the sun on a tank of gas supported on a supporting vessel such as a boat comprising, in combination:

a supporting vessel such as a boat with a horizontal platform at the rear end of the boat and a vertical rear wall there adjacent;

a container such as a gas tank positioned on the horizontal platform adjacent to the vertical rear wall;

a first strip of a hook and loop fastener secured to the vertical rear wall in a horizontal orientation at an elevation above the container and parallel with the horizontal platform;

a shading member fabricated of a flexible material, the shading member being in a rectangular configuration with an upper horizontal edge and a parallel lower horizontal edge and with parallel side edges between the horizontal edges, the shading member having an interior surface and an interior surface with a second strip of a hook and loop fastener adapted to separably coact with the first hook and loop fastener, the first and second hook and loop fasteners being of a common length equal to the length of the horizontal edge of the shading member, the lower edge of the shading member having a loop-shaped hem the side

edges of the shading member having a length greater than the hypotenuse of a right triangle formed by the horizontal platform and the vertical rear wall; and

a weight in a cylindrical configuration fabricated of a heavy material coupled within the hem of the shading member by closure hems to hold the shading member in place to shade the container there beneath.

2 . A gas tank shade system comprising:

a first strip of a fastener securable to the vertical rear wall in a horizontal orientation at an elevation above the container and parallel with a horizontal platform;

a shading member fabricated of a flexible material in a rectangular configuration with an upper horizontal edge and a parallel lower horizontal edge and with parallel side edges, the shading member having a second strip of a fastener adapted to separably coact with the first fastener.

3. The system as set forth in claim 2 wherein the first and fasteners being of a common length equal to the length of the horizontal edge of the shading member, the lower edge of the shading member having a loop-shaped hem the side edges of the shading member having a length greater than the hypotenuse of a right triangle formed by the horizontal platform and the vertical rear wall.

4. The system as set forth in claim 3 and further including a weight in a cylindrical configuration fabricated of a heavy material coupled within the hem of the shading member to hold the shading member in place to shade a container there beneath.